

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

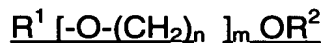
This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application.

Listing Of Claims:

Claims 1- 9 (Cancelled)

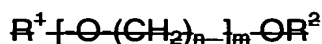
Claim 10. (Currently Amended): A composition of matter ~~containing~~ comprising:

- (a) a resinous component~~[[,]]~~ selected from at least one member of the group consisting of (co)polyester, (co)polycarbonates, acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene, polyamide, polyurethane, polyalkyl(meth)acrylate and styrene copolymers;
- (b) at least one dye~~[[,]]~~;
- (c) a carrier represented by the following formula,



wherein R² is butyl, R¹ is H, n is 2 or 3, and m is 2-35; and

- (d) optionally an optional surfactant emulsifier, wherein said carrier conforms structurally to,



~~wherein and R²⁻ and R¹⁺ independently denote H or C₁₋₁₈ alkyl, benzyl, benzoyl or phenyl radical, n is 2 or 3 and m is 2-35, and wherein resinous component contains at least one member selected from the group consisting of (co)polyester, (co)polycarbonates, acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene, polyamide, polyurethane, polyalkyl(meth)acrylate and styrene copolymers,~~

Claims 11-21 (Cancelled)

Claim 22. (New): The composition of matter of Claim 10 wherein said dye is a disperse dye.

Claim 23. (New): The composition of matter of Claim 10 wherein said composition of matter is a molded article.

Claim 24. (New): The composition of matter of Claim 10 wherein said emulsifier is selected from at least one of: ionic emulsifiers; amphoteric emulsifiers; and non-ionic emulsifiers selected from at least one of C₁₄-C₁₈ ethoxylated unsaturated fatty acids, octylphenoxypolyethyleneoxyethanol and poly(oxy-1,2-ethanediyl), alpha-phenyl-omega-hydroxy, styrenated.

Claim 25. (New): The composition of matter of Claim 10 wherein said dye is a water-insoluble dye selected from the group consisting of azo, diphenylamine and anthraquinone compounds.

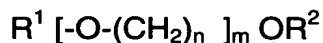
Claim 26. (New): The composition of matter of Claim 10 further comprising at least one member selected from the group consisting of metal flakes, titanium dioxide, and crosslinked polymethylmethacrylate minispheres.

Claim 27. (New): The composition of Claim 10 wherein said resinous component is an aromatic polycarbonate.

Claim 28. (New): The composition of Claim 10 wherein said resinous component is a polymerizate of allyldiglycol carbonate.

Claim 29. (New): A dye composition comprising:

- (a) water;
- (b) at least one dye;
- (c) a carrier represented by the following formula,



wherein R² is butyl, R¹ is H, n is 2 or 3, and m is 2-35; and

- (d) optionally an emulsifier.

Claim 30. (New): The dye composition of Claim 29 wherein said dye composition is prepared by:

- (i) mixing said dye with said carrier and optionally said emulsifier to form a dye-carrier mixture; and
- (ii) adding water to said dye-carrier mixture to form said dye composition.

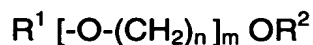
Claim 31. (New): The dye composition of Claim 29 wherein said emulsifier is selected from at least one of: ionic emulsifiers; amphoteric emulsifiers; and non-ionic emulsifiers selected from at least one of C₁₄-C₁₈ ethoxylated unsaturated fatty acids, octylphenoxypolyethyleneoxyethanol and poly(oxy-1,2-ethanediyl), alpha-phenyl-omega-hydroxy, styrenated.

Claim 32. (New): The dye composition of Claim 29 wherein said dye is a disperse dye.

Claim 33. (New): The dye composition of Claim 29 wherein said dye is a water-insoluble dye selected from the group consisting of azo, diphenylamine and anthraquinone compounds.

Claim 34. (New): A dye composition comprising:

- (a) 94 to 96 percent by weight of water,
- (b) a tinctorial amount of at least one dye,
- (c) 1 to 2 percent by weight of a carrier represented by the following formula,



wherein R² and R¹ are each independently selected from H, C₁₋₁₈ alkyl, benzyl, benzoyl or phenyl radical, n is 2 or 3, and m is 2-35; and

- (d) optionally 3 to 4 percent by weight of a emulsifier selected from at least one of: ionic emulsifiers; amphoteric emulsifiers; and non-ionic emulsifiers selected from at least one of C₁₄-C₁₈ ethoxylated unsaturated fatty acids, octylphenoxypolyethyleneoxyethanol and poly(oxy-1,2-ethanediyl), alpha-phenyl-omega-hydroxy, styrenated, the percents by weight being based on the weight of said dye composition,

wherein said dye composition is prepared by,

- (i) mixing said dye with said carrier and optionally said emulsifier to form a dye-carrier mixture, and
- (ii) adding water to said dye-carrier mixture to form said dye composition.

Claim 35. (New): The dye composition of Claim 34 wherein said dye is a disperse dye.

Claim 36. (New): The dye composition of Claim 34 wherein said dye is a water-insoluble dye selected from the group consisting of azo, diphenylamine and anthraquinone compounds.